

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

NAKAMURA, Takashi et al.

Group Art Unit: 3682

Serial No.: 09/880,081

Examiner: Lenard A. Footland

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For:

BEARING STRUCTURE

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: December 27, 2004

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated August 31, 2004, for one month from November 30, 2004 to December 31, 2004.

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$120.00, to cover the cost of the extension for a large entity. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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